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Applicant(s): Vargas, Jaime; et. al.  
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.  
Title: Sutureless Closure and Deployment System for Connecting Blood Vessels D3  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is authorized in an accompanying transmittal letter.

Please consider the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement submitted with this request. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions. Thank you.

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